

Indian Statistical Institute
Second Semester Examination 2003-2004
B.Math(Hons.) III Year
Optimization

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Max. Marks : 75

Answer all Questions

1. Prove that exactly one of the following two systems has a solution

System I: $Ax \geq 0, \quad x \geq 0, \quad c^t x > 0$

System II: $A^t y \geq c$ and $y \leq 0$.

[You may use Farka's theorem) [10]

2. Let $\alpha, \beta, \in R$ consider the LP-model:

Minimize $(x_1 + x_2)$

such that

$\alpha x_1 + \beta x_2 \geq 1$

$x_1 \geq 0, \quad x_2$ -unrestricted.

Determine necessary and sufficient conditions for α and β such that the model:

a) is infeasible

b) is feasible

c) has an optimal solution

d) is feasible and the optimal solution is unbounded.

e) has a multiple optimal solution. [10]

3. Consider the Linear Program

$$\text{Minimize } \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j = Z$$

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subject to

$$\sum_{j=1}^n P_j x_j = b, \quad P_j \in R^m$$

$$x_j \geq 0 \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Suppose that $Z = Z^*, \quad x_j = x^*$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ is a nondegenerate optimal basic feasible solution. A new activity vector is being considered for augmenting the problem to [i.e., a new variable is added and the problem is changed to]

Minimize $\sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j + c_{n+1}, x_{n+1} = Z$

subject to $\sum_{j=1}^n P_j x_j + P_{n+1} x_{n+1} = b, P_j \in R^m, x_j \geq 0$

a) How would you test whether the column $(n + 1)$ is a candidate for improving the solution?

b) Assume that the column $n + 1$ passes the test and x_{n+1} enters the basic set displacing x_r . Let $Z = \hat{Z}$ and $x_j = \hat{x}_j$ for $j = 1, 2 \dots n + 1$ be the updated feasible solution. Prove that it is a strict improvement, that is $\hat{Z} < Z^*$.

c) Suppose the augmented problem is now iterated to a new optimal solution. Prove that X_{n+1} once in never leaves the basic set. [10]

4. a) If the primal system $\min Z = c^t x, Ax \geq b, x \geq 0$ has a feasible solution and the dual system $\max V = b^t y, A^T y \leq c, y \geq 0$ has a feasible solution then there exist optimal feasible solutions.

$x = x^*$ and $y = y^*$ to the primal and dual systems such that $b^t y^* = \max V = \min Z = c^t x^*$

b) Use the dual Simplex method to solve

Minimize $x_1 + 2x_2$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - 4x_2 &\geq 2 \\ 2x_1 - 2x_2 &\geq 7 \\ x_1 + 3x_2 &\geq -2 \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \quad [10]$$

5. Find the optimal solution for the following Transportation problem

	R_1	R_2	R_3	R_4	Availability
W_1	10	5	6	7	25
W_2	8	2	7	6	25
W_3	9	3	4	8	50
Requirements	15	20	30	35	

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6. Apply Dikin's affine scaling procedure with respect to the interior point \bar{x} on the following LP Model; show that a unit ball (circle in R^2 , line segment in R) with centre 1 and radius 1 is completely contained in the "transformed feasible region".

$\max x_1 + 2x_2$

subject to $2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2, x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$

$$\bar{x} = [0.1, 0.1, 1.6]^t \quad [10]$$

7. Prove that if both the Primal feasible region F_P and the dual feasible region F_D are nonempty then at least one of the corresponding LP-models (P) or (D) has an unbounded feasible solution. [10]

Solution: $[F_P = \{x \in R^n | Ax = b, x \geq 0\}; F_D = \{y \in R^m | A^t y \leq c\}]$

8. a) There are five pumps available for developing five wells. The efficiency of each pump in producing the maximum yield at each well is given below

	Well				
Pump	1	2	3	4	5
1	45	40	65	30	55
2	50	30	25	60	30
3	25	20	15	20	40
4	35	25	30	25	20
5	80	60	60	70	50

In what way should the pump be assigned so as to maximize the overall efficiency !

- b) Show that all bases for the transportation problem are triangular

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